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Group Art Unit 3634

Date: March 12, 2001

Examiner: Alvin Chin-Shue

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plicant: Pamela Boyer

Serial No.: 09/639,055

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For: "Safety Harness"

To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE

Sir:

This is a Response to the Office Action of December 19, 2000. A shortened statutory period for Response to the Office Action was set to expire three months from the date of the letter, making a Response due on or before March 19, 2001. Please amend the application presently on file as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (amended) A safety harness, comprising:

a body harness assembly positionable on a user's body, the body harness assembly comprising a left shoulder strap and a right shoulder strap, said shoulder straps crossing in the back, while sliding through a lanyard securing member;

a resilient suspender assembly having a first branch and a second branch, a front end of the first branch being fixedly attached to the left shoulder strap, a front end of the second branch being fixedly attached to the right shoulder strap, a back end of the first branch and a back end of the second branch being fixedly attached to the lanyard

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